

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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May 23, 2005

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Donald L. Wolfe

Acting Director of Public Works

COUNTYWIDE STREET LIGHT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ACT-1 (UNINCORPORATED ZONE)

We are currently implementing a Countywide Street Light Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for the unincorporated County Lighting District. The CIP, which commenced in Fiscal Year 2003-04, is expected to be completed by Fiscal Year 2006-07. This program is separate from the petition process, which is administered in accordance with a Board policy that was adopted on March 11, 1980. Rather, our identification of locations for the CIP included a review of the adequacy of existing street lighting systems already within the unincorporated lighting district. We have found that the wiring and circuitry for some street lighting systems required replacement. Additionally, there were locations in the district that did not have adequate lighting and locations where upgraded street lights were necessary. The projects that are in the CIP are listed on the attached tables.

We are anticipating the need for a future increase in the district assessment as a result of the implementation of the CIP, the estimated \$722,000 property tax revenue loss to the State in Fiscal Years 2004-05 and 2005-06, and the uncertainty of future electricity rates. The annual assessment will likely need to be increased from the current \$5 to \$14 in order to meet ongoing maintenance and operational needs. We propose that the assessment rate increase should go into effect in Fiscal Year 2008-09 at \$8 and reach the \$14 capped amount in Fiscal Year 2011-12.

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As you know, due to Proposition 218, any proposed increase in direct assessment rates requires balloting and majority approval of the benefited property owners. As currently proposed, the Proposition 218 balloting for the assessment rate increase will be done in Fiscal Year 2007-08. There are approximately 180,000 parcels within the unincorporated zone that will need to receive assessment ballots. Prior to any balloting, we will initiate a public education and information program. We will be working with your staff, the Southern California Edison Company, the business community, neighborhood watch groups, and community leaders to explain the merits of the proposed assessment increase.

If there are any questions, please call me or your staff may contact Bill Winter of our Traffic and Lighting Division at (626) 300-4700.

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Attach.

cc: Chief Administrative Office (Martin Zimmerman)
County Counsel

COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 STREET LIGHT UPGRADE PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 03'-04'

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS					
SUP DISTRICT	T.G. PAGE	LOCATION	LENGTH (FEET)	PROJECT COST	STATUS
1	704 H1	Santa Fe Ave - Florence Ave to Nadeau St	5420	\$5,492	Completed
1	674 H7	Alameda St - Florence Ave to Firestone Blvd	6244	\$130,800	Under Construction
1	637 33	Puente Ave - Sauder to Francisquito	5680	\$286,000	Under Construction
2	704 H2	Alameda St - Firestone Blvd to Imperial Hwy	8141	\$390,200	Completed
5	566 D5	San Pasqual, Et Al Berkley Street to Roosevelt Ave	13500	\$520,000	Completed
5	4109 G6	Avenue M-8 170th St E to 1340 w/o 170th St E	900	\$32,000	Completed
1 & 2	674 F6	Compton Ave - Slauson Ave to 92nd St	15,000	\$70,000	Completed
1 & 4	707 C4	Carmenita/Painter Road - Telegraph Rd to Mulberry Dr.	2,750	\$42,156	Completed

TO	TAL	\$1,476,648

COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 STREET LIGHT UPGRADE PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 04'-05'

	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS					
SUP DISTRICT	T.G. PAGE	LOCATION	LENGTH (FEET)	PROJECT ESTIMATED COST	STATUS	
2	704 A6	Van Buren Ave- Imperial Hwy to 112th St	1500	\$95,200	Design Completed Under Construction	
4	678 C3	Stimson Ave - Gale Ave to Halliburton Rd	4750	\$424,800	Design Completed Construction to begin July 2005	

TOTAL	\$520,000

COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 STREET LIGHT UPGRADE PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 05'-06'

	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS					
SUP DISTRICT	T.G. PAGE	LOCATION	LENGTH (FEET)	PROJECT ESTIMATED COST	STATUS	
1	637 34	Puente Ave – Nelson to Sauder	4978	\$330,000	Design Completed Construction to begin August 2005	
1	637 E6	Workman Mill Rd — Coleford to Don Julian	10512	\$688,000	Design Completed Project on hold	
1	636 F3	San Gabriel Blvd - Rush St to Arroyo Dr	4750	\$643,200	Project in Design Phase	
2	734 C2	El Segundo Blvd - Main St to Avalon Blvd	2800	\$320,000	Project in Design Phase	
4	678 D5	Colima Rd - Stimson Ave to Countrywood Ave	6500	\$631,600	Project in Design Phase	
5	535	Altadena Et. Al.		\$1,000,000	Design Completed Construction to begin December 2005	

TOTAL	\$3,612,800

COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 STREET LIGHT UPGRADE PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 06'-07'

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SUP DISTRICT	T.G. PAGE	LOCATION	LENGTH (FEET)	PROJECT ESTIMATED COST	STATUS
2	734 H2	Stockwell Et Al Wayside St, Knoff St, Nord St, Lucien St	12550	\$702,800	Design Completed
3	630 D6	Pacific Coast Highway- Old Malibu to Topanga Canyon	1515	\$228,000	Project Design in scoping phase
4	678 D4	Halliburton Rd - Hacienda Blvd to Colima Rd	7500	\$711,200	Project in Design Phase
4	707 C3	Mulberry Drive - Guilford Ave to Calmada Ave	2500	\$291,600	Project in Design Phase
5	4369 G7	Sloan Canyon Parker Rd to Cherry Dr	2100	\$140,000	Design Completed
5	566 G5	Brandon Street 510' w/o Madre St to Lotus St	3400	\$180,600	Design Completed
5	4195 G7	Elizabeth Lake Road Sage Tree St to 10th St West	850	\$62,400	Design Completed
5	566 G4	Green Street 490' w/o Madre St to 350' e/o Madre St	940	\$87,600	Design Completed

TOTAL	\$2,404,200